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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE **AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office's Non-Final Office Action dated 4/14/04, the Applicant has timely enclosed herein: 15 pages Office Action Response, and 1 page Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17 in the amount of \$ 275.00 to cover fee for 5 Terminal Disclaimers, and 5 pages of Terminal Disclaimers. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 500323 AUTHORIZATION - All necessary fees relating to the [X]attached submittal, if any, are intended to be included. However, the Office is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees relating to the submittal to deposit account 500323, registered to Vernon C. Maine P.L.L.C., dba Maine & Asmus, contact telephone no. 603-886-6100.